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Application No.: **10/576,774**)
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Title: **PROCESS FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF**)
 THE CALCIUM SALT OF ROSUVASTATIN)
 (E)-7-[4-(4-FLUOROPHENYL)-6-ISOPROPYL-)
 2-[METHYL(METHYLSULFONYL)AMINO]-)
 PYRIMIDIN-5-YL](3R,5S)-3,5-DIHYDROXY-)
 HEPT-6-ENOIC ACID AND CRYSTALLINE)
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Citation of Technically Related U.S. Patent Applications

The Examiner's attention is directed to the following technically related U.S. patents or applications of Applicants' assignee:

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With the exception of the documents listed in the above table in bold (for which a copy was provided with a previously filed Information Disclosure Statement), a copy of the specification and claims for each application, in the form of the published PCT application from which such application was filed is being filed herewith. Consideration of each listed application is earnestly solicited.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants request the Examiner to consider this Information Disclosure Statement and documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced Application. Accordingly, Applicants do not believe a fee is due for filing this Information Disclosure Statement.

With the exception of U.S. Patents and Publications, copies of the listed documents are attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner initial and return the Form PTO-1449, indicating that the information has been considered and made of record herein.

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invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. §1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3).

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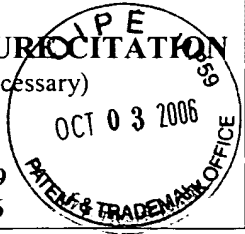
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